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PFOA: As reported earlier, the municipal water supply of Hoosick Falls New York has PFOA contamination at measurements of 600 ppt, exceeding the EPA provisional health advisory of 400 ppt. There are also exceedences at private drinking water wells. The municipal water supply provides drinking water to 5,000 people. The Swiss based company that operates two manufacturing facilities in the town, Saint-Gobain Performance Plastics, has agreed to provide up to 5 gallons of bottled water a day to each person and to install a \$2 million carbon filtration system at the public water supply, but that will take at least one year. Groundwater sampling by the company at the plant site found PFOA at levels as high as 18,000 ppt – some of the highest levels ever seen in the country. I have written to the Mayor to urge that the public not drink the public water and we are in the early stages of examining enforcement options. The NY DEC says they cannot act under state superfund because PFOA is not a superfund contaminant. We have been in contact with the State Health Department who has been timid in their approach to the issue. Office of Water is expected to revise and strengthen the provisional health advisory in the first quarter of 2016. This is a big issue in this community.